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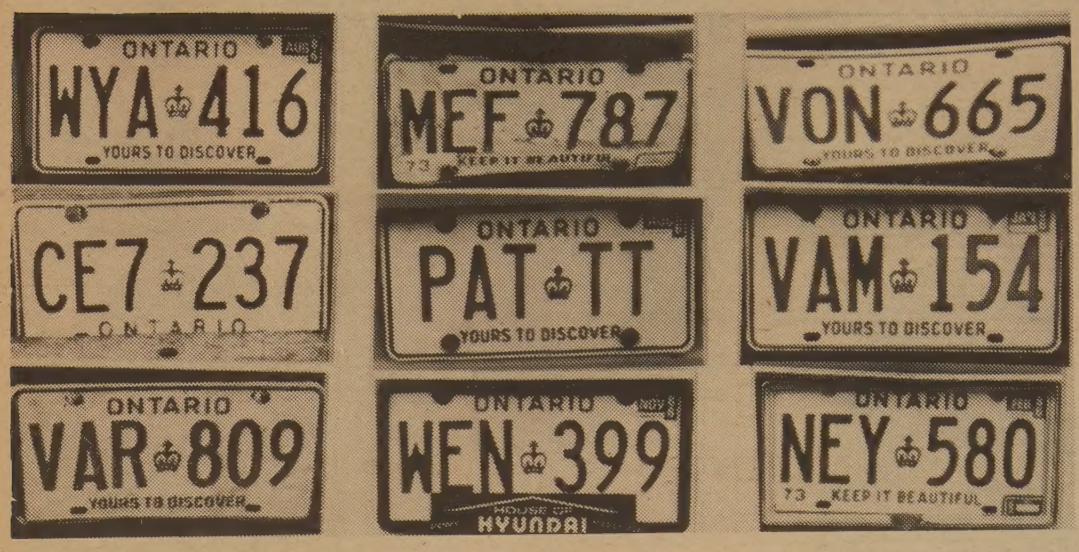

Lots A, B have space

A mother says it's too far for her daughter to walk from Parking lot A to whatever building.

To grab the parking spot closest to the building, a driver hopes his vehicle will pass for a motorcycle.

The rules of parking on campus seem to mean park wherever there is a space. Right?

Illegal parking around the perimeters of parking lots E and C continues to be a problem for both students and college administrators. The college may have to take expensive measures to remedy the situation.

"If people want accessible parking on campus, it can be made available for a personal estimated cost of between $50 to $100 per student per year," Jack Spittle, manager, plant and property, said. "This will not be the best method to solve Niagara College's parking problem."

EXCELLENT LOTS

The parking layout for Niagara College is excellent from the point of personal and vehicle safety and ease of vehicles entering and leaving the campus, Mr. Spittle said. "We have the best of both worlds now with the present system."

All problem areas will receive close scrutiny and violators will receive tickets, Mr. Krikorian said.

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$150,000 in losses may end program

By NANCY ROACH
Staff Writer

The first Niagara College program to get the axe because of money problems may be the Marine Emergency Duties (MED) program in Port Colborne.

The Board of Governors in committee has recommended that the MED Centre be closed after March 31, 1986.

Niagara College suffered more than $150,000 in losses since the program started in 1977, Jacqueline Robarts, college president, said last week. The program, which provides Great Lakes' sailors with firefighting and other emergency training, has never broken even.

Miss Robarts said cancelling the program will not deprive a lot of students "because there aren't any." There are not enough students for a year-round operation, she said.

NEEDS RENOVATION

The program needs several expensive renovations that the college can't afford. A new pollution control system, costing more than $500,000 is needed. The college is "very concerned about pollution," she said. The ship mock-up for firefighting training needs a complete refurbishing that would cost several hundred thousand dollars.

Transport Canada wants the college to invest more money in the program but the ministry intends "to have one marine training centre only for central Canada, located at the Owen Sound campus of Georgian College," Miss Robarts said.

Sailors are required to obtain emergency training, but legislators have been slow in making it mandatory, Miss Robarts said. "This reduces the number of people we get."

LOSES MONEY

Only four or five students enrol in the three-week program each time it is offered, except from January to March when the canal is closed. From January to March ships are not running and sailors can get the training in their free time. But the program is offered every four weeks over 12 months and loses money, Miss Robarts said.

The fate of the program will be decided by the Board of Governors this week and the Council Of Regents before the year's end.

SAC execs tend bar, 'no conflict': John

By WAYNE NICHOLLS
Staff Writer

Some of the Student Administration Council executive have part time jobs at the Aquaduck, but insist there is no wrongdoing.

John Turner, SAC president; Ken Winer, vice-president of internal affairs, and Wayne Willis, executive vice-president, all work as bartenders in the popular Welland drinking spot where four off-campus pubs have been held this year. They all receive honorariums for their work on SAC.

"People can think what they want but I didn't get my job at the Aquaduck because we brought them business," John said. "I don't believe there is a conflict of interest so I will continue to work there."

An honorarium of $1,000 a year for the SAC president was approved in a referendum of students in the year 1970-71, but for one year only. The practice was continued by successive executives.

According to past editions of the Niagara News, the honorariums of members of the executive were raised from $20 a month to $40 a month in 1974. The president's honorarium was still $1,000 in 1976 when the then president, Dennis Reeves, sought an increase for four executive members from $320 a year to an average of about $600. He argued that they "work very hard and spend a lot of time with their duties. They are unable to hold down part-time jobs because of this."

John said he receives $258.38 a month while the rest of the executive gets $150.73 a month. John also received $250 a week for August. This brings his total salary for the school year to a little more than $3,000.

So far this year, four pubs have been held at the Aquaduck and one at JB's Corral in St. Catharines. SAC has been unable to hold pubs on campus because of questions about insurance.

"I didn't take the council job because of the honorarium," John said. "It has never happened that my job has taken me away from SAC commitments."

ORIGINAL PURPOSE

Dr. Nora McCardell, executive director of educational and student services, said the original purpose of the honorarium was to take the place of a part-time job.

"Students at SAC didn't have jobs because of the work load," she said. "The honorarium should be in place of a part-time job; then students should be working on their studies."

The SAC constitution does not state that a member cannot have a part-time job. "It can't say that because it would be extremely difficult to monitor," Dr. McCardell said. "If the students are distressed, they should see John about it first and then maybe, see me. I would be prepared to talk to John about whether he should leave his job but it would be better if we had some input from the students."

SAC runs as a separate corporation so the college administration can only advise the members, Dr. McCardell said. "It's a student problem so they should handle it."

All three SAC members who work at the bar stress that their jobs are separate from their responsibilities at the college.

"I think it's funny about the way people see it," Wayne Willis,

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Placement figures show grad getting jobs

The 1985 placement statistics show 80.5 per cent of all graduates seeking employment were placed in jobs related to their field of study.

Of 499 graduates in the School of Applied Arts and Health Sciences, 81 per cent of those available for employment — 333 of 411 graduates — found jobs in related fields. The corresponding figures for the School of Applied Science and Technology with 156 graduates were 80 per cent — 113 of 141 graduates; School of Business with 304 graduates, 79.8 per cent, or 214 of 268.

"The figures look pretty good," Gordon McPherson, placement officer, said. "They are better than they actually look because some students are working part-time in their field of study or full-time in an unrelated field."

Of 52 programs, 16 had 100 per cent placement, Mr. McPherson said.

Students must be working a minimum of 24 hours per week to be considered full-time and be counted as placed on the statistics.

Of the 160 1985 graduates still seeking employment, more than a third are from three programs, he said: ambulance and emergency care, law and security and two-year data processing.

Co-op programs including legal assistant, retail management, tourism-tours and attractions, tourisme, bilingual secretary and secretarial arts all had 100 per cent placement, prompting a lot of other programs to seriously look at changing to co-op, Mr McPherson said.

"Summer work experience in a related field, even at a low pay, has a tremendous payoff," he said. "Students who have the opportunity should take it."

Some of the statistics may change because students are in the process of interviewing and may get jobs. But Mr. McPherson said many students "put restrictions on themselves by not being willing to relocate."

He is optimistic the placement statistics will be even better for the 1986 graduates.

Figures from all the colleges will be compiled in a report and available in a month.

Former Niagara labor director will return to work in Honduras

By SANDRA KISH
Staff Writer

Eric Robinson, former director of labor and labor management studies at the college, recently returned from Honduras and described a land full of friendly people, lush landscape and beautiful beaches torn by conflict between poor farmers and rich landowners.

While the government gives out huge tracts of land to resettle farmers where the land is richer, farmers, and some of the people who support them, are disappearing, Dr. Robinson said.

Dr. Robinson worked in Tela, Honduras, as a consultant for a co-op resettlement project sponsored by Horizons of Friendship, and CIDA-Horizons jointly. He and his wife spent two years there, and have recently come back to Canada, but not to stay, Mr. Robinson said. They are here trying to raise funds for another project started recently in Honduras. If they are successful, Dr. Robinson said they would like to return and begin working on it.

DR. AND MRS. ERIC ROBINSON

Early retirement

Dr. Robinson took early retirement and joined the non-governmental organization, Horizons of Friendship, a prominent group raising funds for Third World countries in South America, immediately after. Horizons sent him to Honduras to act as a consultant for a 200-acre farm co-op resettlement project. His wife, a registered nurse, was the project RN .

The resettlement project moved campesino (Spanish for poor farmer) families from poor land in south Honduras to lusher lands along the north coast, he said.

Land is given out by a government land reform agency, he said. It consists of land taken illegally by large land owners that has been taken back by the government, and former banana plantations from United Fruit Company given to the government. The company, a United States multinational corporation, got the land at an incredibly low cost, overworked it to the point crops were not good any more, and unions grew organized enough to irritate them, so they are gradually withdrawing from Honduras, he said.

Trouble results as large wealthy land owners fight campesinos, he said. Some groups and platoons in the army are bought off and run by the rich, Dr. Robinson said. "In our last few months one of our campesinos became a disparisito (someone who has disappeared), and at a time when the army was attempting to terrorize one of our districts. Four campesinos were taken away one night, blindfolded, hands tied behind their backs, forced to sit on a bench all night long. Three returned and one was still missing by the time we left Honduras three months later."

There are about 150 disparisitos in Honduras over a four or five-year period, he said. This is fairly civilized compared to some of the other South American countries where hundreds more people than that are gone.

The co-op was not well developed where he was working, he said. It was well established, but not well developed. Co-ops were established so poor farmers could survive by collectively farming a plot of land. Twenty families together could grow enough to feed everyone and diversify, one could grow beans, one corn, one could take care of the chickens.

"That is the theory," Dr. Robinson said, "but in practice the lack of understanding of co-operatives and co-op behavior — how to work together, seek appropriate training — it isn't there in most cases."

Co-op

Co-ops are often criticized by anti-co-op and anti-campesino groups, even the government, he said.

Before he left, a nun responsible for 2,000 children, whom Dr. Robinson described as "sort of like the Mother Theresa of Honduras," said to him, 'Can't you go back to Canada and say some nice things about Honduras? All you Canadians are the same, you say nice things about Nicaragua and bad things about Honduras." But you cannot hide the bad things, he said.

Dr. Robinson said he is planning this kind of work in Third World countries as a new career. He hopes to go back to Honduras as soon as possible. Besides the wonderfully friendly people, "you can't take a better country for climate...good sea air...fresh fruit...sunshine," he said.

Surveyors' institute provides vital link

By ELAINE TROJAN
Staff Writer

Quantity surveyors are the people who turn architects' dreams into reality. It requires skill and imagination to apply someone else's ideas and incomplete drawings to real dollars and cents. Until Frank W. Helyar and his associates came to Canada, this vital link between contractors and architects had to be imported from the United Kingdom, since no formal education in this field was offered in Canada.

Construction engineering technology students were given an idea of what to expect in their job field on Nov. 14, when Mr. Helyar of The Canadian Institute of Quantity Surveyors visited the college to speak to them. Mr. Helyar lectured the students, past graduates of the program, and teachers from Mohawk College on the beginnings of the Institute, new developments in cost estimating, and answered questions about the Institute and the job field.

TO CERTIFY

Mr. Helyar and other members of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors decided in 1958 that Canada, which had no surveying profession at the time, should have the means to educate and certify quantity surveyors.

Quantity surveying is offered at many colleges. The students write exams prepared by the Institute in order to be accepted into it. Membership in the Institute carries prestige, and since all members are in the same field, contacts for jobs are plenty.

Mentalist at Niagara

Experience a unique brand of comedy with live demonstrations of the power of suggestion in the Hamilton room Nov. 28.

Mentalist Casey Bones has been demonstrating the power of suggestion for the past two years in engagements that have taken him to comedy clubs, universities and colleges in the United States, his native country.

Since early this summer he has been performing and writing comedy for CBC radio. He will continue performing while in the area and plans to build a market here and reserve time periods each year to return and perform in the United States.

He says his show stands out from other mentalists because 90 per cent of it is dedicated to the power of suggestion. He likes to get volunteers up on the stage as quickly as possible to let the fun begin.

The show, put on by SAC, is free and will be in the Hamilton room from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

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Niagara College film graduates stand a good chance of getting jobs in their field after their success in producing films. Many dignitaries will attend a film premiere at the Ontario Sciences Centre in Toronto on Dec. 10.

Film students create Up Front material

By ELIZABETH LeREVEREND
Staff Writer

The Canadian film industry is booming and Niagara College film graduates stand a good chance of getting the jobs, thanks to their proven track record of producing sponsored films.

Up Front, a college film commissioned by the Civil Service Commission, is scheduled to have its premiere Dec. 10 at the Ontario Science Centre Theatre, Elias Petras, film instructor, said. Many dignitaries, including Premier David Peterson, are to attend.

Another college-produced film, sponsored by the federal Secretary of State for Youth, is now being edited and should be finished by January. Film students produce at least one sponsored film every year, Mr. Petras said.

Doing well

The Canadian film industry is the best it's ever been, Mr. Petras said. The $20 million contribution the Ontario government is making over the next two years to its film development corporation will be "really great." More film production means more jobs for his experienced students.

Governments have begun to realize the tremendous potential the film industry has in this country to create jobs and generate money. The return on investment in film is high, Mr. Petras said.

To win the contract for Up Front, a documentary on provincial government jobs and services, Mr. Petras submitted a proposal and budget. Examples of other films produced at the college were also presented.

Films such as the ones produced for the Catholic Church and the Lincoln County School Board convinced the Civil Service Commission that Niagara students are professional, capable of working to a budget and can satisfy the scrutiny of a tough committee, Mr. Petras said. They knew Niagara students would do the job right.

In addition to the educational advantages of having students produce a commissioned film — from the planning stages to filming and editing — the students have an advantage in the job market later, Mr. Petras said.

All of last year's graduates who worked on Up Front had jobs "within a couple of days" of the film's completion. In the last three years, "virtually all" the course's graduates got jobs in the film industry, Mr. Petras said.

The Secretary of State-sponsored film was the idea of a former Niagara film graduate. Sheryl Davis applied for a grant to produce a documentary on the Allied Youth organization. The international group, which promotes a "healthy lifestyle" for young people, held its annual convention at a Prince Edward Island resort in October. Mr. Petras and four students spent one week there filming.

Youth film

Allied Youth, like the Civil Service film, was produced in recognition of the United Nations' International Youth Year, 1985.

At Mr. Petras' suggestion, the film became a college co-production. The government grant covered the "hard costs" of supplies and travel; the college provided equipment and facilities.

In this way, the film cost about $12,000. Without the college's contribution, the cost would be three or four times higher, Mr. Petras said.

Producers

Many United States producers come to Canada to make their films, especially made-for-TV movies, Mr. Petras said. They come here because Canadian crews have proven their proficiency and the dollar is worth more, Mr. Petras said. A $5 million American film becomes a $9 million film in Canadian dollars.

Of last year's film graduates, three are working in commercial film production, two on feature films being shot in Toronto.

Up Front will be distributed to schools for career planning and used by all Ontario government ministries as an orientation film showing the "exciting and meaningful" aspects of working in the civil service.

Support United Way

Marketing students take first

Gus Livingston and Vince Ferro captured first place for Niagara College in one division of the Ontario College Marketing Competition in London Nov. 14.

Niagara teams managed second and fourth place in other divisions. Thirteen third-year marketing students represented Niagara in the six-school competition.

Gus and Vince were champions of Management Decision Making, one of seven divisions of the tournament. Donna Czainski, Ron Vahrmeyer, Chris Giancola and Jim Mucciarone took second place in the Quiz Bowl Competition, and Glenn Motosunne and Frank Rammuno were fourth in the Human Relations Case Study.

Other Niagara competitors were John Turner, Jim Olsson, Janet Solomons and Bob Dale.

Larry Cote, co-ordinator of marketing management, said the competition involves "an application of subjects in the marketing program." Teams must solve problems and cases and answer questions on marketing within a prescribed time limit. Their solutions and speed are judged by officials from organizations such as 3M, Internal Revenue, the Federal Business Development Bureau and A&P.

PATTY FARAGALLI

MARY PETRUZELLA

School re-organization

The re-organization of the schools within Niagara College has led to a new division of duties in the admissions office.

Patty Faragalli is responsible for admissions in the schools of business and applied science and technology. She continues to act a secondary school liaison for admissions.

Mary Petruzella is responsible for admissions in the schools of applied arts and health sciences, and for continuing education services certificate programs with a formal admission process. She continues to organize on-campus tours.

Campus pubs return

Students will soon be dancing and drinking in the cafeteria again. The administration has cleared the way for the Student Administrative Council to hold on-campus pubs.

"It's great news," Ann Buller, activities co-ordinator, said. "Now we have a choice of having pubs on or off campus."

SAC had to buy a $6 million liability insurance policy (costing $4,750) when it was learned in August that the college was no longer able to provide insurance for on-campus activities.

"Red tape is why it took so long," Ann said. "The Board of Governors had to approve it; then the college's insurance company had to make sure it was an adequate policy.

SAC initiates toys for kids

The Student Administration Council is holding a toy drive to give toys to children in needy families who might otherwise get none for Christmas, Sandy Kamphuis, vice-president of external affairs, said.

The drive will be held Dec.2 to Dec.6 from the SAC office. There will be a box by the door of the office and a can for money on the counter.

Students are being asked to bring in old toys that are still usable and in decent condition, children's mitts, hats and scarves, Canadian Tire money and any other donations they want to give including money and Christmas candy. Children receiving these Christmas gifts range in age from newborn to 16, but most are from two to four, she said.

"It's basically to give the kids a Christmas," Sandy said. "Christmas is a time for giving and hopefully the students will take time to give."

Equipment, facilities available to students

By MICHELLE MUYLAERT
Staff Writer

Niagara College's media department is offering many new services to faculty and students it hopes will attract students who were unaware of them in the past.

"Many students who could utilize the facilities don't even know we exist," Keith Lindberg, media department manager, said. "We want to promote the fact we want students to use these facilities."

A new media project area in S102 provides space, equipment and assistance to all students and faculty for preparation of projects requiring audio visual materials. Here they can preview videotapes, prepare slides, and check out films for classroom instruction.

FAST TRANSPARENCIES

A new multi-color photocopier featuring variable zoom for enlargements and reductions provide a fast way to produce overhead transparencies. Computer-generated color graphics are available for slides and eight by 10-inch overhead transparencies.

The media department is continuing to offer faculty and students use of audio visual equipment including slides, filmstrips, cassettes, programmers, reel-to-reel tape recorders, record players, cameras, overhead transparencies, tapes, films and accessories.

Students wanting to borrow equipment must fill out an equipment loan form and have approval from their instructor.

"Where there is any material cost, the teacher must sign," Mr. Lindberg said.

To many students media services remain a "hidden resource," "a place students find by accident," he said. He hopes the new services will change all that.

Anyone wanting more information should contact Cathy Weir in S102 or at extension 700.

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Editorials

You booze, you lose

With only days until Christmas, spirits are soaring. But even closer is the enforcement of laws concerning spirits of another kind.

As of Dec.2, the minimum fine for impaired driving will be raised to $300. However, the fines are expected to average between $500 and $600.

Surely everyone is in full agreement with raising of fines to deter drivers from drinking . Why would anyone question what is only for the good of the people?

Yet there is still disagreement. One can still hear the boastful driver who claims he can handle his booze no matter how much he drinks. And there is always the famous line, "I only had a couple."

But what happens when the boastful driver finds himself involved in an accident with yet another boastful driver. Who is the exception to the rule then?

When are drivers going to realize that it has been proven time and time again that whether a driver has had just a couple drinks or more, the ability to drive is affected?

It seems the only method to ensure safer roads is the levying of stiffer fines.

So when spirits soar and the Christmas spirit hits, remember there are no exceptions to the rule. Be ALERT. That $300 fine is just a breath away.

Jackie Foster

Making it literally

Looking over the English electives offered to second-year students, a distinct gap in the lineup can be detected.

It appears that in striving for a wide range in elective offerings, the department has neglected to hit upon a course which would enhance, rather than rehash, pre-college taught methods of writing and interpreting the printed word.

The number of barely literate Canadian adults is appalling. While it may not be the responsibility of a community college to teach its students how to read and write, there is an opportunity to reinforce skills which should be present, in a manner which will be relevant and enjoyable to the majority.

By the same token, there exists the opportunity to identify and assist students who require alternate teaching methods to obtain a firm grip on the basics of English.

Niagara has a great asset in the faculty of its English department. Perhaps by offering a few English electives which get back to the basics by means that will hold the interest of students, this worthy group could contribute to raising the literacy standards of Canadians.

Marie Chamberland

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Solo troubadour

The days are getting shorter and colder as we drift from Fall towards Winter.There will not be many more days left that we can sit down outside with a guitar and polish up a composition. Mike Tubbe, first-year Broadcast Radio and Television program is the solo guitarist near the Mackenzie Building.
Photo by Joe McCarthy

BULLPIT

Tube-weary cynic cries 'Enough!'

By BRIAN TRACY
Staff Writer

Well, the municipal elections are over at last. So is the annual Ontario Progressive Conservative leadership campaign. We do have the Quebec election looming ominously over us, but at least that is a different province and, with any luck, will not receive the same degree of coverage.

The Romans used to have circuses and ritual executions to keep the rabble entertained, but since capital punishment has been exorcized temporarily, Canadians are forced to sit through a seemingly endless run of municipal, provincial and federal elections.

And it isn't only elections. It's leadership conventions, referendums, various minority rights conferences and constitutional meetings.

It's television coverage of town and city council and the daily broadcast from the House of Commons when it is sitting.

And then, of course, there is the biggie. The near continuous coverage of various pre-summit, summit and post-summit meetings from Geneva accompanied by the usual insightful questioning ("Walter, do you think Mikhail's wearing of brown leather loafers indicates a significant softening in his position on Afghanistan?").

Bored to tears

All these political circuses, whether local or on the world stage, destroy any enthusiasm for real politics and help turn the population into bored cynics. We come to expect little from those who rule over us and at the same time lose the will to do anything positive about it.

Yet there is still a demand for coverage, a fascination with the process and the use of smoke and mirrors.

When will the viewers get up and change the television channel? When they do, let us hope the Neilsen people get the message and cancel the programming. There is really no need of new episodes; the new ones are merely sad rewritings of the old ones anyway.

Tube summit?

Here's a suggestion. Maybe the two media super-powers, newsprint and television, can meet in a neutral location and attempt to come to some agreement limiting coverage of political events. Both sides clearly have more than enough coverage now to bore their customers to death several times over.

For the mental health of all mankind let us hope that Thompson, Turner, Tinker and Murdoch cease their media build-up and agree to spend more of their budget on sports, entertainment and drama.

Base, 911 essential to local paramedics

By HOLLY FUGARD
Staff Writer

The Niagara Region may get a paramedic program if the Regional Niagara Emergency Health Services committee can prove to the Ministry of Health the program, through the use of a cardiac monitoring survey, is a statistically valid reserach project, Frank Adamson, coordinator of ambulance and emergency care, said.

There are 15 components that have to be completed before the program can be started, Mr. Adamson said. These include; cardiac pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training to the public, a base hospital (responsible for orders to the paramedics in the field), central ambulance communication, tiered response (having a fire or police vehicle in the area respond until an ambulance arrives) and 911. Thirteen components have been completed, Mr. Adamson said. "All we need now is the base hospital and 911. The base hospital should be no problem, and we're working on 911."

There is a verbal agreement between the Ministry and EHS to begin. We're just waiting for a written agreement to begin using monitors in ambulances, Mr. Adamson said.

Money for monitors, expected to be about $90,000, has to come from the community, Mr. Adamson said.

It is necessary to get the survey going to show regional polictician's there is light on the horizon, and to convince them of the need for the paramedic program, Mr. Adamson said. "We need 911 to save these people."

This region has a high instance of heart disease. Five hundred people who suffer heart attacks die out of hospital yearly. One hundred of these could be saved with monitoring, Mr. Adamson said.

EHS want to put monitoring units into ambulances in St. Catharines, Welland, Niagara Falls and possibly Grimsby by the start of the new year, Mr. Adamson said.

Goal in sight

The Niagara College 1985 United Way campaign is a scant $651.04 short of its contribution goal.

Foster Zanutto, campaign chairman, said $14,348.96 has been raised so far, compared with $13,562 raised last year.

People who have not returned their pledge card are asked to do so, Mr. Zanutto said. "That would put us over the top."

Michael Yando

Hotel student loses struggle with cancer

Funeral services were held last month for Michael Yando, a hotel and restaurant administration student who died of cancer Oct. 24 at the age of 23.

He entered the hotel and restaurant program in October 1982 and was diagnosed as having cancer in early 1983. Despite weekend treatments, Michael seldom let the illness interfere with his school work.

He was forced to withdraw from the program last year, but he felt well enough this summer to register for fall re-entry. When the cancer recurred and made October entry impossible, Michael set his sights on coming back in January.

John Peacock, hotel and restaurant administration coordinator, said Michael was very popular with staff and students at the Rainbow Centre, where the program is conducted. "Michael was not liked out of sympathy; he was liked because he was one hell of a guy," Mr. Peacock said.

A Fort Erie resident, Michael was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 3320 and past chief squire of the Columbia Squires. He was a graduate of Notre Dame College.

He is survived by his parents, Emily and Charles Yando, and sisters, Mary and Beth of Fort Erie, and Anne in London.

Focus on sign language / letters

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Not just for deaf

Sign language universal

By HEATHER JARDEN
Staff Writer

Sign language is not only useful among those whose hearing is impaired — it could become a universal language and enable people to communicate no matter what language they speak.

"Why isn't sign language taught as a regular subject in every school?" Leslie Bunting, first year educational resource technician, asks. "Body language is basic to all people."

Leslie, 35, teaches basic sign language to about 25 to 30 first year ERT students every Thursday at 12:10 p.m.

"The basic sign language is in every country," Leslie said. She believes sign language should be taught in the future in every country by international agreement.

Voluntary

Leslie's course is voluntary and she volunteers her time to help first year students learn the basic sign language needed to deal with mentally handicapped children and the hearing-impaired. She learned sign language at Niagara College through a night course and has devised some of her own methods of teaching.

She uses mime as a process of communication to break the ice. Students are taught the basic alphabet first by finger spelling.

"There is a society in the United States that only uses finger spelling," she said. Leslie feels it is important to know finger spelling before any other signs are learned.

Her lessons are structured so that students learn up to 30 new words each class. She likes to use multi-media methods like music to enhance her teaching. Students can sing a song in sign language. She also uses music as a structure to force her students to perform hand movements to the beat of the music.

French Course

Leslie volunteered at St. Theresa Separate School in St. Catharines where she lives, and supplemented her sign language course for the French course to Grade 2 students. She had her students form a circle and dance to the music as they finger-spelled the alphabet, first with their right hands, then with their left, building muscle control in both hands.

She devised sign symbols to help her students memorize and write down signs. Students are tested by having to guess a word which is being finger-spelled to them. They must sound out the word and write down what they see. At the end of the term each student must do a presentation, such as a poem, a short story about themselves or a song in sign language.

Students cannot use this course as a credit but they do get a knowledge of communications and five hours alloted from the 20 hours of volunteer work they must do each term.

Next year Leslie will be teaching the second-year students. She hopes to work in school systems upon graduation and said her next choice would be to work in a residence. She wants to be able to use her sign language.

Dreams

"Anyone who wants to learn, I will teach," Leslie said. One of her dreams is to see sign language used in residence and group homes so that those who cannot hear can communicate in body language.

"Even arthritic hands can move somewhat," she said.

Sign language could be used by anyone who has trouble communicating. Gestuno is a new type of sign language that has already started in some countries, Leslie said. Many countries are looking for a universal language and sign language just might be it.

Letters to the Editor

Ski trip's extra costs buy more time on slopes

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to the editoral "Bullpit" in your last edition of Niagara News.

While it is true Sheridan College is offering a less expensive trip, I think it is only fair to compare our trip to theirs.

Sheridan's trip is three days and includes two nights accommodation as well as two lift tickets. Niagara's trip includes five nights accommodation and five lift tickets.

While it may be argued that more students can afford $147 rather than $249, there are several reasons who Proto's trips were chosen:

1. Proto's prices were the best offered to us.

2. Breakaway (the company Sheridan deals with) requires that you guarantee a certain number of students will sign up for the trips. This is a large risk since we have not offered this type of ski trip in the past.

3. Breakaway Tours did send me quotes, but we did not receive the quote of $147 for a ski trip.

While I try to get the best possible prices for the students, I can only work with the material I receive. And I sincerely believe that most serious skiers would prefer the extra days on the slopes.

The trips this year are by far outselling trips of previous years. I would attribute this to the fact the trips we are offering are economical and appealing to our students.

It's good to know Niagara News is concerned about the students it serves. If a writer with the paper, or any student, ever has any concern about a program SAC is running, please feel free to stop by and discuss it with me.

Ann Buller
Activities Co-ordinator
Student Administrative Council

Security guards helpful

The following is a letter written to Gordon Lance, manager of Ensign Security Services in Welland. The Niagara News was given permission to publish it.

Dear Mr. Lance:

An unsolicited letter is usually the vehicle for a complaint. There is, however, the odd exception! The purpose of this letter is to bring to your attention the exemplary manner in which two members of your staff carry out their duties.

Frequently "after hours" and during a four-hour morning session, it has been necessary for me to enlist the help of either John ["JJ"] or Matthew ["Mattie"] and their response [after having ascertained why] has always been positive, cheerful and helpful in the extreme. This attitude on their behalf enables me to do my job better for which I am extremely grateful and I felt you should know that in "JJ" and "Mattie" you have two very fine staff members.

All too frequently the security guard and/or custodian is depicted as being cautious to the point of being suspicious and curt to the point of being rude. "JJ" and "Mattie" are the opposite of this fairly frequent perception and as a person employed here at Niagara College, I consider it my duty to let you know that these gentlemen are a credit to your company, and I consider it my privilege to be their colleague.

As this letter is unsolicited, no acknowledgement is anticipated or required.

Yours sincerely,
Gord Goulty, Teacher

Santa Claus is coming to town

Making Christmas a little brighter by allowing Santa Claus to visit everyone is the hope of the second annual Santa Fund.

Second-year journalism students will be looking for donations for the fund which will be used by Family and Children's Services to buy toys for underprivileged children.

Last year the fund didn't begin until Dec. 14, but was a great success raising $675, bringing happiness to many children who would otherwise be overlooked. This year, with the earlier start, it's hoped $1,000 will be raised.

Events include a bake sale to be held tomorrow from 11:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the foyer adjacent to the library, a raffle for "Christmas Cheer", and Santa himself selling candy canes.

Starting today, donation jars will be placed throughout the college near vending machines, the SAC office and both the main cafeteria and the mini-cafe.

Tickets for the "Christmas Cheer" may be bought at the newsroom, S212. Those who wish to make larger donations are encouraged to stop by.

Please help us give in the true spirit of Christmas, letting children feel the joy of unwrapping a gift Christmas morning.

Congratulations, Kathy!

Dear Editor:

Upon reading the article pertaining to the Niagara graduate (Kathy Tymoshuk) and her success, an interest formed immediately. On various weekdays following educational programs, I've discovered a bright new face on TV. Apart from being an attractive lady, Kathy's distinct pronunciation qualities directed my attention at the start.

I would like to take this chance to congratulate the Radio and Television Department on such fine academic teaching. I would feel proud to have taught Kathy, if similar circumstances corresponded. This goes to show that determination can succeed false impressions.

I would also like to thank the Journalism department for covering this story. Your department deserves more gratification with such fine teachers as Mr. Jelbert and others.

In closing, I would thoroughly enjoy listening to Kathy Tymoshuk if she cared to lecture at the school. at a given date.

Fine work
Rick Russ
Human Relations Program, year 2

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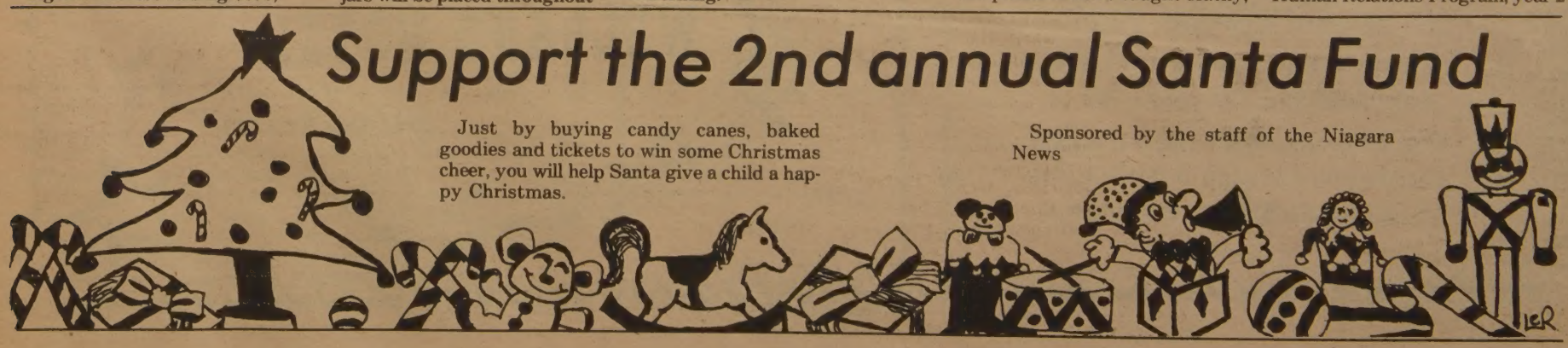

Just by buying candy canes, baked goodies and tickets to win some Christmas cheer, you will help Santa give a child a happy Christmas.

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Funeral homes ease sorrow

By SEAN CONDON
Staff Writer

It has never happened before, but a close relative has just died. Funeral arrangements have to be made and the grief-stricken next of kin does not know where to turn. The first step is to make contact with a funeral home.

Patrick Darte, president of Patrick J. Darte Funeral home in downtown St. Catharines, said families experience a sense of relief once they have had the chance to sit down with a funeral director and work out the proper arrangements.

"We try to set up an appointment with the family," Mr. Darte said. "They come in and make the necessary arrangements."

The family discusses arrangements in a relaxed atmosphere and has coffee with the funeral director. Discussions include the cost of all funeral home services which include use of the funeral home for visitation, embalming, and ceremonies, the cost of the casket, and the use of any funeral home vehicles.

Mr. Darte said the average cost of a funeral at his establishment is between $3,500 and $4,500. This is the total cost including cemetery fees, obituaries, church costs and the cost of a vault. A vault is a container in which the casket is placed before earth burial; it acts as sort of a secondary container to the casket.

For those who have not got the money to pay for a funeral, there is financial aid. Mr. Darte said that an available option is the Canada Pension Plan's Lump Sum Death Benefits, which would be about six times the monthly pension the deceased was receiving. The maximum benefit for 1985 is $2,340.

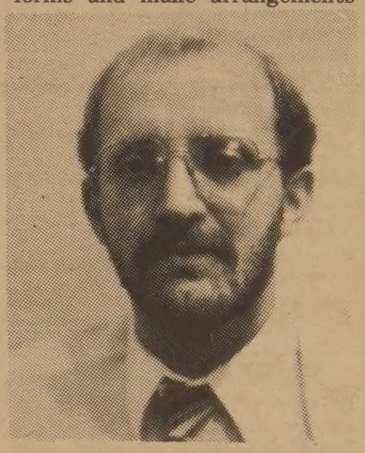
PATRICK DARTE

The funeral home tries to relieve the bereaved of as much of the burden as possible. One way of making things easier is to pre-arrange a funeral.

Pre-arrangement allows a person to fill out all the necessary forms and make arrangements now. This saves the family the grief of having to make painful arrangements at the time of death.

"It is a realistic thing, to plan," Mr. Darte said. "A lot of people still don't like it, the idea of planning for a death, and I don't blame them. It just makes it a lot easier on the family."

Placing ads for pre-arrangement in newspapers is one way funeral homes are making the public aware of the difficult confrontation with death. Mr. Darte's funeral home also offers videotapes, public tours and pamphlets on sensitive subjects like child death and suicide. He said public education is the best way to get people to come to terms with death.



ALAN MOORE

Alan Moore, funeral director at Butler Funeral Home in downtown St. Catharines, agrees. "Today's generation of funeral directors, when placing obituaries, uses the term died rather than passed away," he said. "It helps people understand that death is a reality."

He said public lectures and newspaper advertising are trying to educate people to accept death. "Even the names have changed. We used to be the undertakers, now we're funeral directors."

The owner of Mr. Moore's funeral home tries to encourage staff members to join clubs and organizations to help prove to the public that funeral directors are no different from anyone else.

"We're trying to educate people that we're almost human," Mr. Moore said. "We're trying to show people we're not morbid, cruel people with tape measures who walk around sizing people up."

Letters, resumes help package applicants

Students must package themselves through their resumes, Paul Collard, manager of Wilsolite, a graphic arts equipment company, told secretarial arts students.

Mr. Collard, who is on the Niagara College secretarial advisory board and a former student of the three-year supervisory course, was speaking at the college Nov. 12. He said the objective of the resume is to differentiate the applicant from the hundreds who may apply and get him one of the handful of interviews granted.

"You must package yourself through it so it says 'Hire me, I want to work for you.' " Stressing the importance of the packaging, Mr. Collard said, "In the restaurant business they'll tell you, you don't sell the steak — you sell the sizzle."

The resume and introductory letter get the applicant's name in front of the employer, but it is quality that entices and ensures an interview.

Once in the front door, the applicant can then cover a lot more about himself than is possible in a letter and resume, Mr. Collard said.

However, he said it is getting increasingly difficult each year to distinguish applicants through letters as they are tending to become uniform and stereotyped.

NOT LISTENING

Although he fosters this by instructing students on the subject, some still don't get it right. "It's like baseball. You can tell everyone how to play, but they don't always listen."

Letters and resumes come in three categories: the good, the bad, and the ugly." One example was a resume — scrawled on a sheet of lined paper.

Beyond instruction on the proper content and style of resumes and covering letters, Mr. Collard had three pieces of advice:

1) Send applications out to as many employers as practical. He said fishing with a broad net is more productive than with a single hook.

2)User the facilities at the college to good advantage. He said there are none better than those at Niagara.

3)Learn skills now, they are difficult to acquire in the field.

From Page One SAC

executive vice-president, said. "If I wasn't on SAC, I would feel the same way — that I got my job because I was bringing pubs to the Aquaduck."

Ken Winer, vice-president of internal affairs, said, "We have to do our job properly just like anyone else, or we could be fired like any other employee. Things in this office are not affected by things at work. If I found out any different, I would have to give one of them up."

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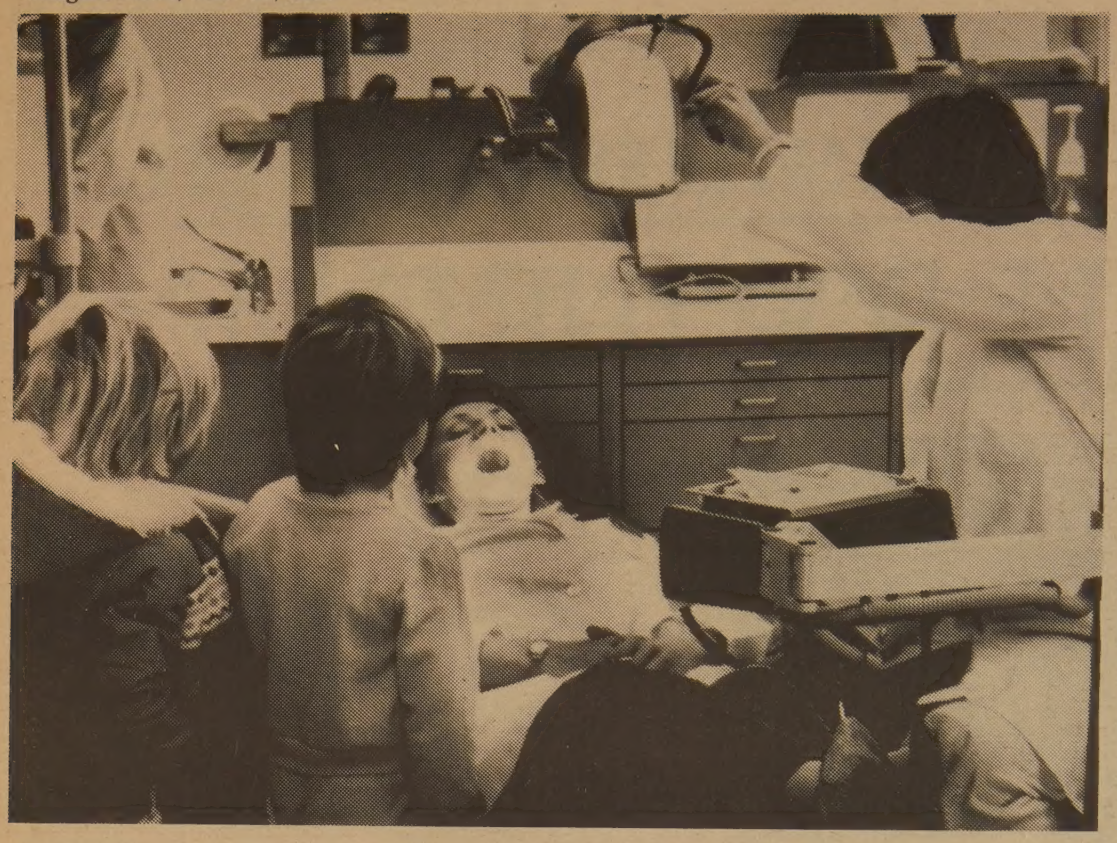

"Let's get Mikey!"

Two children from the day-care centre watch as Debbie Parry, dental hygienist student, demonstrates the dentist's chair as part of the centre's community awareness week. The trip to the dental clinic two weeks ago followed a visit by a policeman and fireman earlier that week.

Photo by Karolin Alkerton

Optimism, not fear, necessary for effective cancer control

By WAYNE NICHOLLS
Staff Writer

Cancer can be beaten!

The word cancer strikes fear into the hearts of many and even though the slogan is positive, most people are pessimistic when they learn they or a loved one has contracted the disease.

Joan Liddiard, until recently a part-time sociology teacher at Niagara, believes the slogan. In 1961 at the age of 15 months, her daughter Kathy was diagnosed as having neuroblastomas, a common childhood cancer of the nervous system.

"Common today but not so common in 1961 when the science was so limited," Mrs. Liddiard said. "The doctors were not very optimistic but I was positive she would live."

Nervous

"I was going on a lot of nervous energy. You don't know how to do it, you just do it. I had a lot of family support, a lot of love."

Kathy beat the odds. Today, 22 years after undergoing radiation treatments for the disease, she still goes for check-ups every three months. She has had three bouts of skin cancer, the most common form of cancer, each time having the tumor successfully removed.

She is married, doesn't smoke, avoids the sun, and like the rest of us, tries to avoid any chance of becoming a cancer patient again.

The American Cancer Society reports that 75 per cent of the children who have cancer in the United States are being effectively treated; in 1971 the figure was less than 25 per cent.

Research advances, treatment by doctors and parent awareness of symptoms are making long-term control of cancer a reality.

Advances in research and treatment are also improving the chances of survival among adults who have cancer.

The Canadian Cancer Society reports the survival rate has increased from 40 per cent in the 1950s to 51 per cent in 1985 for all sites of cancer. It attributes this success not only to advances in medicine but also to an educated public.

The Canadian Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute of Canada work closely with the federal and provincial Departments of Health in the fight against cancer.

Last year, the Canadian Cancer Society had an income of more than $47 million. Most came from the annual fund-raising campaign, held in April and from individual campaigns such as the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope.

More than $23 million was spent on cancer research in 1984. The next biggest expenditures were $7 million each on public education and patient services.

Support for cancer research and patient services comes from people who volunteer their time in an effort to make life easier for patients and their families.

Services offered through the Cancer Society include driving people to hospitals for treatment, offering home care programs, providing wigs and other special equipment requested by the patient and helping those who are trying to cope with the disease.

Mrs. Liddiard has been a volunteer since her daughter was released from the hospital and spends her time helping to educate the public and raising funds for the cause.

"It gives you a good feeling when you feel you're doing your part," she said.

"When we were confronted with cancer in the family, we had to rely on family support to get through it. Now you can call toll free (1-800-263-6718) and get information on the subject from trained personnel."

Fund-raising and public education are still the most important aspect of working for the cause, Mrs. Liddiard said.

New job

"I would like to see the Student Administrative Council take part by selling daffodils during the annual fund-raising campaign."

After a 21-year teaching career, six years part-time at Niagara, Mrs. Liddiard recently left teaching to become campaign coordinator with the Canadian Cancer Society in Toronto.

"My interest working with the society may stem from my daughter's sickness, but I'm looking forward to the exciting challenges of my new job."

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Career change

Joan Liddiard, sociology teacher, bade farewell to Niagara College Nov. 15 to fill a position with the cancer society.

Mrs. Liddiard, 178 Scott St., St. Catharines, is looking forward to the challenges of her new job.

She left her 21-year teaching career, six years part-time at Niagara, to be campaign coordinator with the Canadian Cancer Society in Toronto.

Christmas spirit in Old King Cole

The spirit of Christmas has been called into action early at the Niagara College Theatre Centre.

Preparations are under way for the Christmas Season production of Ken Campbell's Old King Cole.

Matinee performances at the Niagara Theatre Centre, 54 Empire St., Welland, have already sold out. Tickets for the 7 p.m. shows between Dec. 11 and 18 can be reserved by calling 735-0550.

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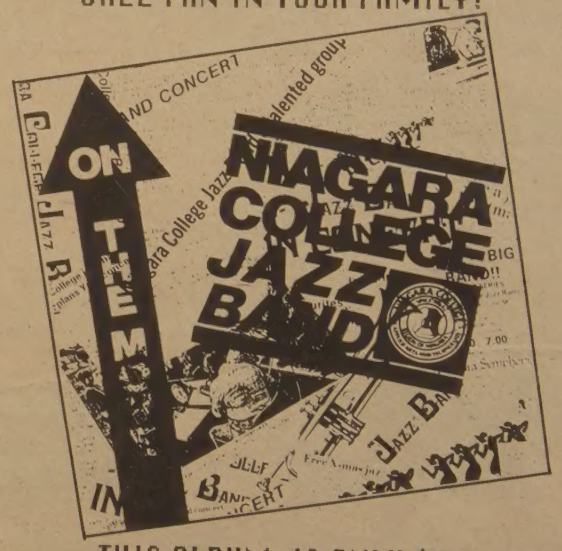

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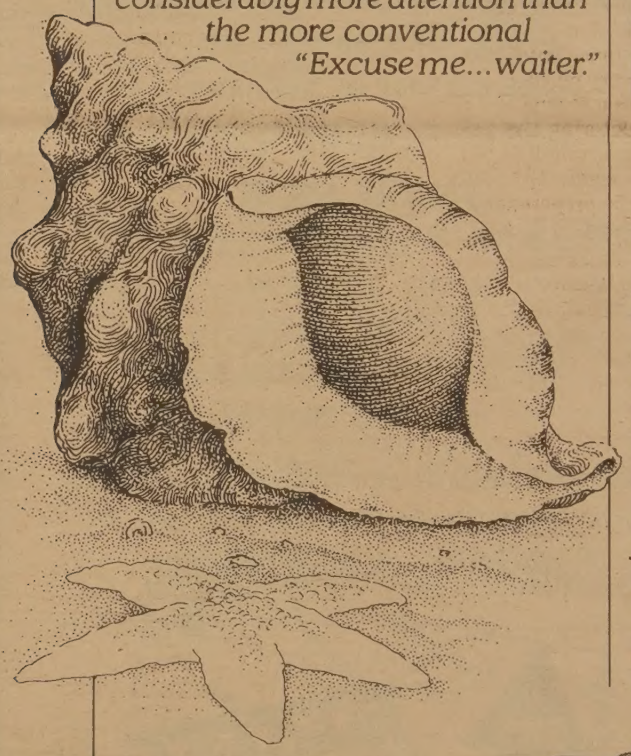
This technique was first established by residents of the Seychelles Islands who used it to attract passing pods of sperm whales. Each pod, consisting of one or more whales, produced a sufficient wake to permit local residents to host 12 consecutive international surfing championships. More recently, conch blowing has become popular at numerous seaside watering holes where it was found to attract considerably more attention than the more conventional "Excuse me...waiter."



SEMAPHORE
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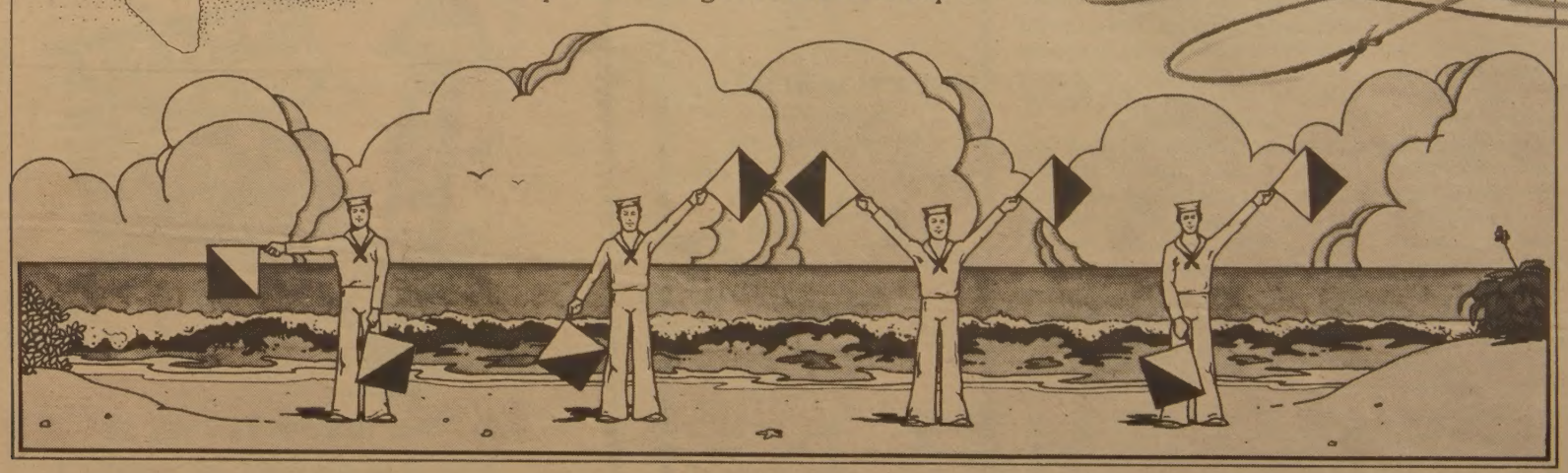
Or flag flapping as it is often called, enjoys considerable popularity among the nautically inclined. Practitioners of this particularly colourful form of communications have reported physical benefits such as an increase in the size of bicep, tricep and pectoral muscles. This has prompted one enterprising manufacturer of sporting equipment to introduce a new product called "Heavy Flags." This means that when calling for a Blue it is now possible to get bent into shape.

TIN CANS WITH STRING
3

Success with this approach depends largely upon the size of the cans and the length of the string used. Most waiters or waitresses will show some reluctance at the prospect of walking about their establishment with 50 gallon oil drums affixed to their hips. An empty Blue can (preferably of the larger variety) is considered de rigueur. Users should be advised that calls across the bar are cheaper after six and on Sundays.

Important: Many first time users of this proven technique have complained of what is generally referred to as the "Lloyd Bridges or Jacques Cousteau effect." This can be remedied by making sure that cans are completely drained prior to transmitting or receiving messages.



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Entertainment

Spiritualist / Author

N-O-T-L author writes fiction books using familiar Niagara settings

By L. SCOTT HILL
Staff Writer

Most of the fictional books that Robert Janes creates are set in this area. One, The Toy Shop, is set in Niagara-on-the-Lake, the town in which Mr. Janes lives with his wife and four children. Another, The Hiding Place, is located in the Queenston area.

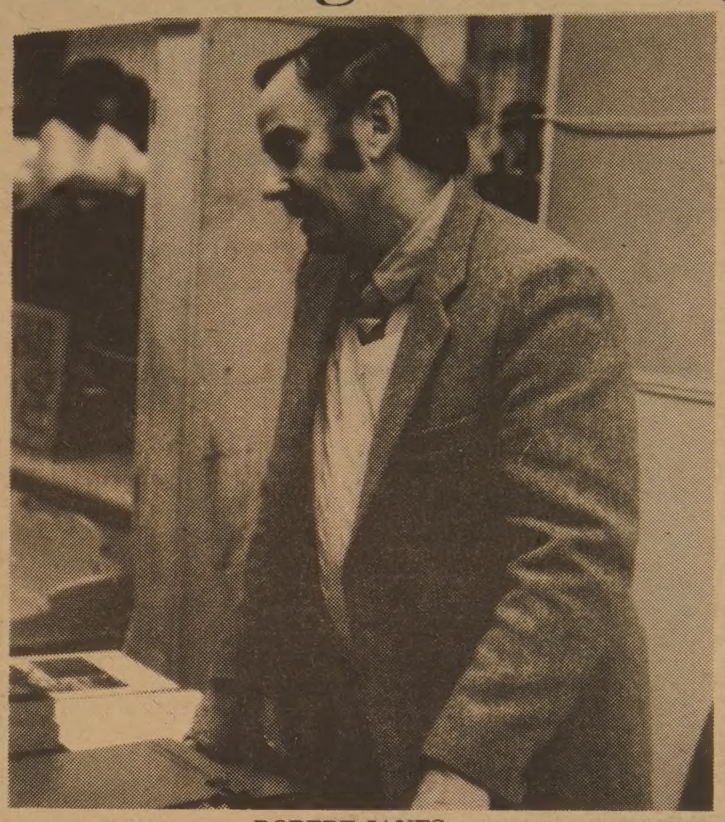
Mr. Janes said that he uses these settings because they are familiar to him and they lend themselves perfectly to his style of writing.

Full-time

At 50, Mr. Janes has been writing full-time for the past 14 years. Although he likes to write children's books, many of his selections are for the adult market. Mr. Janes said he writes the adult books because it is hard to make a living from children's novels alone.

Mr. Janes was promoting his books at a craft show held at the college by the Preservation of Agriculture Land Society, Nov. 9.

His fictional books are largely of the suspense/mystery variety, but he has written instructional books on Geology.



ROBERT JANES

Before he took to writing, Mr. Janes worked as a mining engineer and a geologist.

Landscapes are an important part of his works; through his writings Mr Janes likes to teach a little bit about the earth. "Being a geologist, I have a real feeling for it."

"We shouldn't be ashamed of Canada, especially this area, it has a lot of history and natural beauty," Mr. Janes said.

He is quick to dispel the stereotype of the novelist as a free spirit. He takes his work seriously and writes all the time. There is little time to spend in leisure as he begins his day behind the typewriter at 7:30 a.m. and continues into the evening.

"I have a telephone answering device that my friends think I use because I'm sleeping all day," Mr. Janes said. "But I'm usually sitting right beside it working on a piece and don't want to break my concentration."

Mr. Janes is harded pressed to pick out any one of his works as a personal favorite. "It's hard to say; the thing for me is always the book I'm working on."

As soon as he completes one book, he begins another. Usually he changes both the scope of the book's audience as well as its theme. For example, when he finishes an adult suspense novel. he will write a children's mystery. It all depends on what his publisher, Paperjacks, wants from him, he said.

Mr. Janes enjoys writing for a living very much, but gives a word of caution to anyone who may consider entering the field.

"It's a tough business. If someone wants to write, they had better be prepared to stick with it to succeed."

Mr. Janes said it takes a long time to become recognized in the writing field. He is fond of a saying he picked up some years ago. "It takes 10 years to make a writer, and a lifetime to make a novelist."

Photo club at college

Intrigued by the infinite possibilities of advanced photography, many step out and spend a lot of money on camera equipment. Time-lapse photography, double exposures, and shooting the moon are a few of these possibilities — and so too is dust collecting if a person cannot find the "on" switch. If this sounds familiar, help is on the way.

Steve Hartnell, president and founder of Modern Photographers, invites people interested in photography to register with the newly-formed club. Steve is an accounting major with five years experience in photography.

The goals of the club are limited only by the imagination of the participants, Steve said. Landscapes, portraitures and custom work for students are a few of the ideas under consideration. Depending on the enthusiasm of its members, Modern Photographers hopes to display works in the Hennepin Art Gallery and plans to invite professional photographers to speak on equipment and technique.

For more information on Modern Photographers, contact Steve at 734-4889 after 3 p.m. weekdays or enquire at the SAC office.

SMAC ski trip

SMAC, Students of Mack Administrative Council, have planned a ski trip to Holiday Valley Jan. 10 for nursing students.

Cost to the students will be $31 with ski rental or $21 without. The bus will leave Mack Centre at 4:30 p.m..

The deadline date for payment is Dec.6, Cleo Montpellier, SMAC president, said.

Genuine spiritualist offers help with readings, miracle tree oil

By JACKIE FOSTER
Staff Writer

The ad reads: GENUINE Spiritualist (No tarot, palm or crystal ball readings.) Solves all problems! $35 singles. Special rates for home sessions and seniors. 358-9343.

For a small fee of $35,a person can be healed, told of past, present and future — even have a hand levitated.

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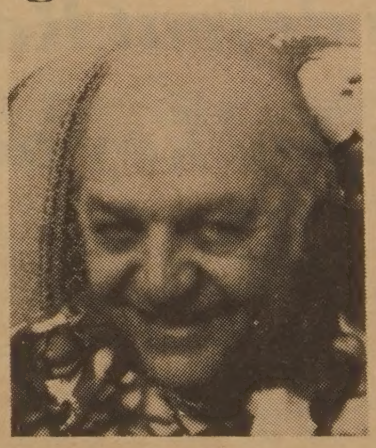
Stan, who asks to be called just plain Stan, says a true spiritualist can do everything. "Everything — frontwards, backwards, levitate — everything."

Stan, 65, moved to Niagara Falls after living in Hamilton for several years because he was "getting too many obscene phone calls." "I figured it was from a woman's husband who heard I told her to leave him because he was fooling around."

Many people visiting Stan want to find out about their love lives — whether their boyfriend or girlfriend is good for them. Most want to know about themselves, about job opportunities or when they will die, Stan said. "I can tell you when you'll kick the bucket," Stan smiled.

"I have been doing this for about 14 months. I did it for years for free but my wife convinced me I should start charging for it. She



STAN

said I would be helping people.

"A person has got to pay the bills, you know."

Stan first knew he had a spirit watching over him when he was in the army as a scout. "I would scout areas in the daylight and nothing would ever happen to me. I just knew someone was taking care of me and he still is; you just know it. It comes naturally."

Stan's explanation of spirits is they come from ancestors. "My spirit was a Cossack general, General Barenoff, born in 1812. He served under Napoleon in the retreat from Moscow."

"All life is an interruption; when a person dies it is just another interruption until the spirit leaves the body to find another. The spirit goes into one of your descendants, so it's just an interlude between one time and another. I haven't read about this in books; I just feel that way."

This is where reincarnation comes into it; that's the hereafter, he said.

"Scientists have proven when a person dies, the body weighs 2½ ounces less; that's the spirit leaving the body."

Stan's skills go far beyond healing or simple levitation. He knows the cause of cancer.

"It is caused from an emotional imbalance and the chemicals in your body; it's like ulcers. Everyone's emotionally different and that is why they can't find a cure for it. You yourself don't know what causes your emotions so how is a doctor supposed to find out how your cancer is caused? I haven't read about this; I do it spiritually."

Stan considers tarot cards, crystal balls and palm readings "a bunch of baloney."

"You know 99 per cent of spiritualists are phoney too and that's why I have such a time proving myself."

Stan thinks himself pretty lucky, though. "I get very few people coming back to kick about something, but you'll always get a few crazies."

As the hour drew to a close Stan glanced at the clock sitting on the mantle.

"Here is something you might want to make money with, this oil," he said, picking up a small glass bottle from a line of others. "This stuff can cure anything and I'm the only one in North America who has it. Who knows — it could even cure AIDS; I know it cures herpes' complex blisters.

When the session ended Stan handed a cassette tape and his calling card to his customer. "I provide after-care. If you have a problem or need help or advice, you can call me and I will tell you what to do through spiritual reading.

Niagara loses Mohawk tourney

By BRIAN TRACY
Staff Writer

The Niagara Knights lost three straight games in Mohawk College's eighth annual invitational basketball tournament.

The Knights met strong competition in the Hamilton tourney, Nov. 8-9, from the host Mohawk Mountaineers, the Centennial Colts, and Robert Wesleyan.

Robert Wesleyan, from Rochester, won the invitational, going undefeated in three games.

On Saturday morning the Knights seemed ready to upset the Centennial Colts, but they let this one slip away. Up at one time by as many as 13 points and by 11 with 13:50 remaining in the game, the Knights seemed to just run out of gas.

DEFENCE POOR

Marty Fitzgerald felt their defence was the cause of the loss. "In the second half we lost control of our defence, and it was a whole new ball game. In the last minute, it was a two-point game; we had a chance to tie it and then it was just a game of foul shots."

However, Everton Morgan, manager of the Colts, said Niagara didn't outplay his team that much; it was just the shooting.

"Not to take anything away from their play, but their shooting was unbelievable in the first half, especially Croce, Bovell and Fitzgerald.

"Our team showed poise and patience in coming back. We settled down and our players stopped trying to win it on their own. In the first half we couldn't get the ball inside to our big men since Niagara had their big men outside, but in the second half we managed to get around them into the middle where they were mismatched."

FOUGHT WELL

The Knights fought well in their final game against tournament champion Robert Wesleyan but were eventually overpowered by a margin of 78-63.

In the first series of the game Marty Fitzgerald injured his elbow and missed the first six minutes of the half and Fred Jashanmal missed some time with an injured knee.

Tied at eight with 14 minutes left in the half, Wesleyan scored nine straight and took a 17-8 lead. The Knights rallied with six of their own, but they soon turned the ball over three times and Wesleyan held a 10-point lead.

Niagara made its big push in the next seven minutes taking the lead 30-29 with 2:50 in the half. However, by intermission Wesleyan led by three, 37-34.

In the second half Niagara seemed to run out of steam and Wesleyan pulled away scoring nine points in the first 90 seconds.

High scorers for the game were Craig Cain for Robert Wesleyan with 21, and for Niagara, John Croce with 14 and Vern Bovell, 13.

On Friday night the Knights lost their first game of the round-robin tournament to a sharp Mohawk Mountaineer team.

SPORTS

Basketball / Hockey

Rob Wyatt makes no mistake as he scores giving Niagara a 7-1 lead on the way to a 12-3 victory over the visiting University of Rochester Yellow Jackets. The win, Niagara's third straight, ties them with Penn State and St. Bonaventure for first place.

Phoyo by Wayne Creighton

Game delayed 45 minutes

Knights defeat Rochester in men's hockey action

A 45-minute delay before game time had little effect on the Niagara College men's hockey team. The Knights came out strong in the first period and went on to an easy 12-3 win over the University of Rochester Yellow Jackets.

Rochester not only lost the Nov. 16 game, but they also lost their way on the trip to Welland causing the delay. "Being on the bus for three hours and not having a warm-up really hurt them," Niagara coach Fred Bassi said.

Doug Jones, with first of two goals, gave Niagara the lead when he scored with each team a man short midway through the first period. Cam Huffman on the powerplay and Carey Robert, on a good feed from Jones, scored giving Niagara a 3-0 lead after one period of play.

Dave Kantar scored early in the second period for Rochester to narrow the margin to 3-1. Niagara answered that goal with four of their own. Robert added his second of the game on a breakaway with Niagara shorthanded. Huffman, Mark Halliwell and Rob Wyatt scored late in the period to give Niagara a 7-1 lead after two periods.

NO QUITTING

The Knights didn't quit in the third. Bob Thrower, Jones and Halliwell scored early in the third to up the score to 10-1. Dave Levae added a powerplay goal for Rochester but Huffman, with his third of the evening, answered for Niagara. Rochester's Dan Leaverton and Niagara's Cam Bedard exchanged goals late in the game to complete the scoring.

Although admitting that the long trip had an effect on Rochester, Mr. Bassi said the Knights got better as the game went on. "This team is getting better and better every game," he said.

Niagara is now tied with Penn State and St. Bonaventure for first place in the seven-team league.

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SPORTS

Skiing / Basketball

No luck for winless Knights at hands of Mountaineers

By HEATHER RITCHIE
Staff Writer

With cheers of "We are NC!", "Gung-ho, guts out!" and "Ziggy, ziggy, ziggy; hoi, hoi, hoi!," the Knights break huddle and run out onto the court ready to sink some baskets.

"The girls get themselves up for games," coach Mizette Critelli said. "There's a lot cohesiveness amongst them."

Two, four, six — eight points for the challenging team; Niagara is trailing behind.

"Don't ever, ever, ever give up — down to the last second of this game!", she tells the girls in a time out.

But the other team continues to score and the Knights just can't get it together.

Unfortunately, this has been a familiar scene recently for the women's basketball team. The team has had a string of losses and "they're down about being winless," coach Critelli said.

"We're not doing the basic things like boxing out; we don't move the ball well on offence."

The team must learn to control the game and handle pressure better.

IF AT FIRST

"We'll only succeed if we persevere," she said.

It's a very young team and some of them haven't played for 1½ years. Marcy Vanderzanden and Kaye Smith haven't played in a while, but they're getting stronger each game.

College teams count on players coming back for a second and third year,"but we only have two returning girls (Donna Czainski and Mary Gaudet)," she said.

"A year makes a big difference."

The Knights have lost all 13 of their games played so far this year.

"We're not a strong team."

To keep morale up, "we have to set little goals for ourselves each game; so, we have a game within a game."

It helps to play in 10-minute segments. The team tries for "so many" baskets in the first 10, and for more than that in the second.

"If we can hold this team with man-to-man defence in the second half — I'll be happy," she suggested at a Nov. 8 game against Mohawk.

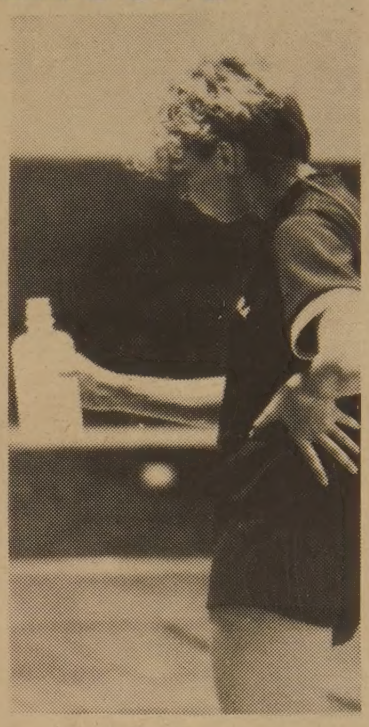
LUCK WAS OUT

The half-time score was 39-5 for Mohawk, and they pulled ahead even further in the second half to win 70-14.

The next day brought no better luck to the Knights; they lost 58-28 to the Fanshawe Falcons and 72-10 to York. The Falcons were provincial champions last year.

Games against St. Clair and Fanshawe on Nov. 15 and 16 resulted in scores of 70-34 for St. Clair and 60-24 for Fanshawe.

A game against George Brown College on Friday (results were not available at press time) is "a game I think we can win," coach Critelli said.



"Cisi," point guard for the women's basketball team, takes a moment to quench her thirst and reflect on the first half of a game against Mohawk College. At half time the score was 39-5 for Mohawk.

Photo by Heather Ritchie

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Niagara takes win, loss on road trip

By ANGUS GILLESPIE
Staff Writer

The Niagara College men's basketball team defeated the St.Clair Saints 65-51 for their first league victory and came up with a solid effort against the Fanshawe Falcons despite losing 96-76.

The two-game road trip started in Windsor where the Knights had a mediocre first half, falling behind nine points, but bounced back to outscore St. Clair by 23 points in the second half to secure the victory.

Barry Golob, Knights coach, felt it was an up and down game in terms of performance; it was probably the team's worst first half but also their second best half of the year.

Vernon Bovell led the Knights with 19 points and Scott Gifford added 18. Joe Starch was tops for St. Clair with 16.

IN LONDON

In London Mr. Golob was pleased with the team's performance against Fanshawe in spite of losing by 20 points. The Falcons are undefeated so far in league play and would seem to be the team to beat. "They are the best team we have played so far," Mr. Golob said. "It was the most intense effort we have had all year."

Mr. Golob and Russ Stevenson had a goal at the beginning of the year to be a .500 team by Christmas and are still sure that goal can be accomplished. "If we are not at .500 by Christmas, I will be surprised and disappointed, " Mr. Golob said.

Both coaches feel the team is gaining confidence and these two games will certainly help. Only two players played together before the start of the season. The coaches feel bench strength is one of the reasons the team is improving. Mr. Golob noted the strong efforts of Andre Hebert and Wayne Williams coming off the bench as being important factors in the team's strong outputs in the two games.

The Knights played both games without starting guard John Croce which forced some restructuring of positions.

Fanshawe's Gordon Paddock led all scorers with 20 points and Emilio Rocca was next with 18. Marty Fitzgerald led Niagara with 17 and centre Fred Jashanmal contributed 10.

Knights' battle with Indians ends in victory for Niagara

By WAYNE CREIGHTON
Staff Writer

Great goaltending from Mark Heagle and three second-period goals paced the Niagara College men's hockey team to a 5-3 win over the St. Bonaventure Brown Indians. The victory gives Niagara a record of two wins and two losses.

The game, played Nov. 9 at the Welland arena, began with each team receiving a minor penalty in the first 45 seconds but quickly settled down into a fast-paced entertaining game.

Bob Thrower gave Niagara the lead late in the first period when his shot from just inside the blue line eluded the St. Bonaventure goalie.

Coach Fred Bassi was pleased with the effort of his entire team, especially goaltender Mark Heagle. "Heagle played very well," Mr. Bassi said. "We went with only eight forwards and they all came up big." Mr. Bassi felt that Bob Thrower's goal set the stage for the entire game. "Thrower's goal seemed to shake them up."

Skiing can be inexpensive

By NANCY ROACH
Staff Writer

Students on a tight budget can wrap up in bulky sweaters with more in mind than freezing temperatures this winter.

Alpine, or downhill, skiing is not a winter luxury enjoyed only by people who can afford to spend thousands of dollars on top-of-the-line equipment and fancy resorts. In fact the price is more affordable than ever in light of intense competetion among ski resorts.

Stan Jones, former ski instructor with the Canadian Ski Instructor Alliance, said there are ways to cut costs. People who do not already own equipment should rent.

Rent cheaper

"You can rent equipment at any good ski shop for about $15 a day," but buying equipment is a major expense, he said. "The number one thing is to make sure you get good reputable boots, and bindings that break away when you fall."

One-day excursions can be a lot of fun and may seem like a weekend holiday, Mr. Jones said."Eat breakfast at home, take a bottle of wine, and be home for dinner." It is definitely the least expensive way to go.

There are good ski hills in most local areas. It is not necessary to go to the most expensive trendy resort, Mr. Jones said. Collingwood has a good ski hill and the only cost is the tow ticket and gas.

More advanced skiers may prefer the slopes at Kissing Bridge or Holiday Valley in northern New York state. Niagara residents can spend a day of skiing there relatively inexpensively, Mr. Jones. said.

Sue Wilson, sales clerk at Arlie's Sport Shop in St. Catharines, asked, "Why sacrifice a sport because you can't afford to buy the equipment?" Skiers can rent ski equipment at Arlie's for $8 a day or $15 for Saturday and Sunday.

Arlie's, affiliated with Kissing Bridge for promotional purposes, offers a weekly bus package for $19.99. The package includes return transportation and lift ticket. It will run each Saturday morning beginning Dec. 28. The package was popular last year and runs on a first-come first-served basis, Mrs. Wilson said.

Erica Voth, senior travel agent at RAPTImenno Travel in St. Catharines, said Quebec skiing is probably the best value for students planning a ski holiday. Most students want to go where it is busy, she said. But to plan an extended trip, to northern New York state, skiers must take into account high exchange rates.

Miss Voth suggests for students a package to Monte-Ste-Anne with accommodation in Quebec City, just 30-40 minutes from the slopes. The price for a group of four ranges from $239 to $299 depending on the hotel.

The price includes return transportation by coach from Toronto to Quebec City, five nights at the hotel of your choice, five days of skiing at Monte-Ste-Anne, and daily transportation to the slopes. Transportation from St. Catharines is available at no charge when numbers warrant, Miss Voth added. And equipment can be rented for $10 a day.

Miss Voth said advanced booking makes a difference; the earlier students plan, the better. Larger groups have an advantage. If 40 students sign up, travel agents can usually get a better deal. Last year Miss Voth got a price of $161 each for a group of about 40. It was a one-time deal, she said.

Lessons vital

Lessons are important for beginners. It is better to start on small runs and work up to the bigger hills, Mr. Jones said. Instructors teach the proper techniques and allow new skiers to start the season off with a lesson.

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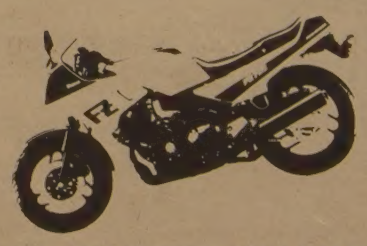

LAY AWAY NOW AND SAVE.

These folks will be spending their spring break in beautiful Quebec. Here, Frenchip Club executive and committee members take a break from a busy schedule of fund-raising activities.
Photo by Marie Chamberland

Quebec trip unlocks secrets

For anyone who has ever dreamed of unlocking the silent secrets within a Benedictine Monastery, the Frenchship Club may hold a key.

A visit to the Saint Benoit du Lac abbey in the Laurentians is one of many highlights in a week-long trip to Quebec, to be taken by members of the club during the spring break.

Students will attend a concert of Gregorian chant during a tour of the ancient monastery nestled high in the mountains. Marcella Pittana, French teacher and adviser, said this is the only spot in North America where the chanting takes place.

Many other exciting leisure activities will blend with cultural experiences throughout the trip.

Mme Pittana stressed the importance placed on interaction with the French people. Enjoying the night-life and inviting new friends to a wrap-up dinner at Les Anciens Canadiens, the first house built in Canada, are two ways in which a sharing of culture is achieved.

"Dancing is the last thing the French give up in old age," Mme Pittana said. Naturally, visiting the discotheques is a must.

The Frenchship Club was formed in 1970 by Mme Pittana and some of her students. In 1969 a student who had won a scholarship for studies in Quebec missed the opportunity because she couldn't afford transportation there. Every year since then the Club has given bursaries of $50 to five French students selected by its members.

The ability to speak French or enrolment in a French class are not prerequisites to joining the club. The only requirements are a passion for adventure, the desire to meet new friends, the dedication it will take to make fund-raising events, to cover the cost of the Quebec trip, a success.

Mack elections Dec. 9

Elections for the 1986 student council at Mack Centre will be held Dec. 9.

Students must file their nominations for office no later than Nov. 25, Cleo Montpellier, president of Students of Mack Administrative Council, said.

Only second-year students can run for the council, Cleo said, but all students can enter a nomination and cast their vote.

Campaigning will be done during the week of Dec.2.

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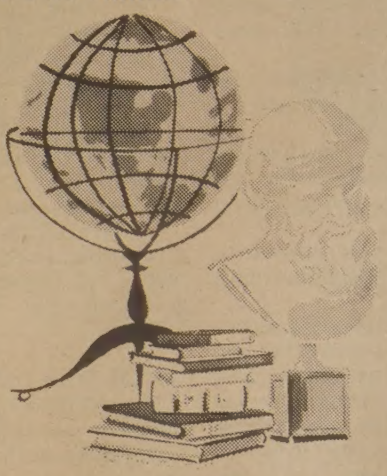

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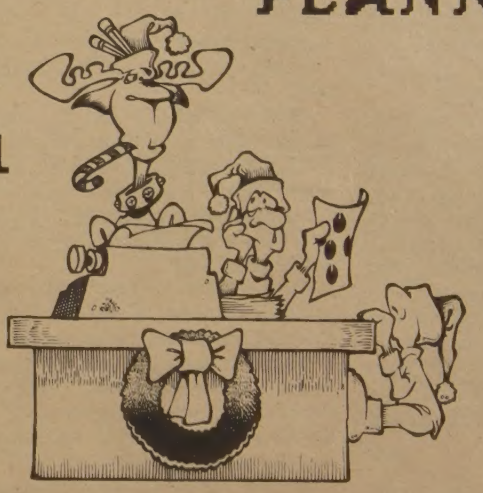

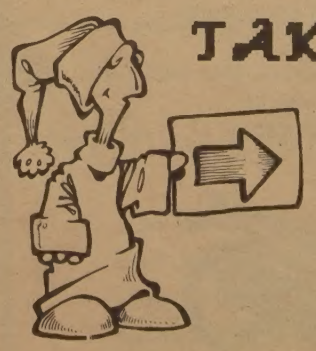

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